

## AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

~~The present invention provides a~~ A liquid crystal display device including a polarizing plate, a pair of substrates at least one of which is transparent, a pair of electrodes, and a nematic liquid crystal. The ~~nematic liquid~~ crystal is filled between the substrates, is aligned to be substantially perpendicular to the substrates when applying a voltage not higher than a threshold value between the electrodes, has negative dielectric constant anisotropy, and undergoes a change in tilt angle of alignment with respect to the substrates in accordance with applied voltage when applying a voltage not lower than a threshold value between the electrodes. The ~~liquid crystal display~~ device has a voltage range in which the rate of change in retardation level with respect to temperature is substantially zero, and displays red or purple when voltage is applied at the maximum voltage value in the voltage range. According ~~to the present invention~~ thereto, changes in color tone depending on temperature are restrained.